

State of New Hampshire DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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Bruce Potter Hillcrest Campground 78 Dover Rd Chichester, New Hampshire 03234 LETTER OF DEFICIENCY WMB PBF 02-67 September 6, 2002

Dear Mr. Potter

The Department of Environmental Services, Water Division ("DES") is required by RSA 485-A:26 to operate a program to ensure the health and safety of the public when using public bathing facilities such as pools and spas. To implement this program, DES has adopted administrative rules Env-Ws 1101-1105 to specify the design, operation, and maintenance requirements for public bathing facilities. DES reviews applications for new public bathing facilities and also inspects and tests the water in existing public bathing facilities to ensure that applicable requirements are being met.

On August 14, 2002, DES inspected the pool at the Hillcrest Campground, in Chichester, NH ("the Pool" During this inspection, the following deficiencies were noted:

Pursuant to Env-Ws 1103.15(a), disinfection of pool water shall be achieved by positive displacement pump type unit providing hypochlorination or by an erosion unit using either hypo-chlorite or bromine tablets with control of the erosion rate. The Pool is currently being disinfected by hand feeding.

- Pursuant to Env-Ws 1104.03(b), the operator shall be responsible for posting conspicuously displayed signs informing patrons of the DES rules relative to patron responsibilities (enclosed copy) and any other safety rules developed by the bathing facility management. Complete patron rules were not posted at the Pool at the time of the inspection.
- Pursuant to Env-Ws 1104.03(c), signs shall provide the location of the nearest telephone. The location of the nearest telephone was not posted at the Pool at the time of the inspection.
- 4. Env-Ws 1103.05 requires shower facilities to be provided at all public bathing facilities. There is no shower at the Pool.

A report outlining how compliance will be achieved with the cited deficiencies should be submitted to DES within 30 calendar days from receipt of this letter. The report should include the following:

- 1. The type, manufacture, and model of the chlorine feeder to be installed.
- 2. A timetable of when patron rules will be posted and the installation of the chlorine feeder will be completed.

DES personnel will conduct another inspection at a later date to determine whether you have come into, and are maintaining, full compliance with RSA 485-A:26 and Env-Ws 1101-1105. In the event that compliance is not achieved, DES may take further action, including seeking an administrative fine up to \$2,000 for each offense or referring the case to the NH Attorney General's Office for judicial action.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Please contact Amy Wilson at (603) 271-7108 if you have any questions regarding this letter. Copies of Env-Ws 1101-1105 are available through the DES Public Information Center at (603) 271-2975 or via the Internet at http://www.des.state.nh.us/pools/env1100.pdf.

Sincerely,
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